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As individuals

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gionality must rest.

My fellow citizens, men and women

of the world close in expressing the

confidence I have that you will

this city, that you of this state, will

the end work out your fate right,

though I hold you to be in a peculiar

case typical of all that is best in

our character.

He said:

"Common Sense the Saving Grace.

I believe in you with all my heart.

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is the one to be hunted down like the

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Mrs. Marietta King, Pioneer

## Has Lived Here Longer Than Any Other Woman

Early Days in Decatur

Mrs. Marietta King has been in Decatur longer than any other woman now living in the city. She came here when eight or nine houses made up the settlement, before there were stores, churches, schools, doctors, or railroads. Mrs. King is now the widow of one of the doctors of the early days and lives within 100 feet of the busiest railroad tracks in the city. She makes her home with her son, John East King, on North Main street, just north of the Wabash tracks.

Although Mrs. King has lived in Decatur for 73 years she is yet a well preserved woman and a person of activity. She has not only lived in Decatur longer than any other woman, but she has lived here just as long as any man now living. Her brother Silas Packard, and she came here at the same time and they are the veteran citizens of Decatur. All of the others who came here before them have passed away.

"I really do not know much about the growth of the city," said Mrs. King in speaking of Decatur. "I was always busy at home in my younger days and in fact every one was busy. We did not have the accommodations in those days and help was hard to get and the women simply stayed at home and looked after their household duties. I know what the place was when I came or rather as far back as I can remember and I know what it is now. I was only 6 years old when we arrived in Decatur, and the place by the way, was called Decatur then and I do not remember very well our coming but my earliest recollections are those of the little settlement which was called by the same name we now give to our city. 'I just grew up, got married and settled down to a woman's duties and allowed the city to grow up around me.'

Mrs. King knows a few things about the early trials of a pioneer physician which would probably discourage some of the medical students of the present. She was married to Dr. Joseph King, who was one of the pioneer doctors. He was not the first, however. Dr. Rook was the first physician to come to this city and he carried his drugs in saddle bags.

But Dr. King was one of the first and he went through more hardships for the sake of suffering humanity than will ever fall to the lot of any of the young doctors of the present day in this locality.

"It was no fun being a doctor in those days," said Mrs. King. I remember that Dr. King made his trips on horseback. He bought a buggy as soon as it was possible to use one, but in the early days, one was compelled to ride on a horse in order to get through the timber and high grass. The doctor's practice extended over a radius of forty miles from Decatur. He would go out on a call on his horse and might not return for three or four days. I would not know where he was, but would simply have to wait until he came back. When he went out on a trip the people would see him pass and would call him in to treat their ailments and his return would be delayed.

Mrs. King belongs to an old American family and she traces her ancestry back to 1760 and is a direct descendant of a soldier of the Revolution.

One of her ancestors, Benjamin Packard, fought for the States at Lexington, Bunker Hill and other Revolutionary fields of contest and received an honorable discharge from the Continental Army.

Mrs. King was a daughter of Silas Packard Sr., and the family came here in 1830 from Royalton, Va. The whole distance was made in wagons in company with two other families. The Packard family first stopped with distant relatives, the Stevens family at Stevens creek. As soon as a house could be built, the family moved into town. Mrs. King's description of Decatur at that time is interesting. She says:

"It was mostly Decatur in name as

low on West Main street was a cabin and west of it on the hill was the house of Mr. Hankins and family.

"Smallwood and family lived two miles north of the city on the Water street road and although Mrs. Smallwood was the mother of thirteen children she was kind-hearted and often visited sick persons to her home and cared for them until they were better. On account of the lack of drainage most every one had chills and fever, and there was a great deal of sickness."

One of the houses in those days was the old log court house which is now in Fairlawn park. Mrs. King says that members of her family

Dr. King and his wife lived on this land and built the large brick house at the corner of Marietta and Edward streets which is known as the King homestead and the Montgomery homestead. Most of the land around the house was planted in small fruits and fruit trees and was known as King's orchard and the name is still applied to the addition of lots now built up with houses which covers the northern part of that tract of land.

Dr. King sold tracts of land off of this 40 acres and had part of it platted in lots and consequently was the grantor in many real estate transactions. Mrs. King says now that it is frequent that persons who are making real estate deals come to her to ask about who owned certain lots or tracts at certain times in order that a clouded title may be cleared but she generally is compelled to tell them that she is not a walking record book.

Mrs. King's name has been commended in this city. Marietta street was named for her, that being her given name. Packard street was named for her family and King street was named for the King family.

Mrs. King's husband, the late Dr. Joseph King, died in 1893. Mrs. King and her husband were the parents of five children, three of whom are living. They are J. E. King and Mrs. R. R. Montgomery of Decatur and J. W. King of Coles county. Mrs. King has four grandchildren and also has a brother, Silas Packard, and a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Condell, living in this city, and another brother, Mason Packard, living in California.

## CITY OF THE DEAD.



MRS. MARIETTA KING.

Greenwood cemetery is now going through the annual spring cleaning. Every year as soon as the weather will allow, the custodian, Jesse E. Bendum begins the work of putting the cemetery in proper condition for summer and it is no small job.

The grass must all be raked and later on cut, and the trees and shrubs trimmed and then many persons have special work they want done on their lots.

Mr. Bendum will make a special effort as he does every year to have the place in shape by Memorial day. On that day the exercises are held at the cemetery and half the population will turn out and visit the cemetery. Probably more people visit the cemetery preceding than any other week in the year, so the custodian as well as those who own lots wants the place to look well.

Greenwood cemetery is as pretty a burying ground as can be found in any place. The ground is rolling and is naturally picturesque. But this same feature of uneven ground makes it quite a difficult place to keep in good shape as any cemetery in the country. The uneven ground makes it necessary to do all the cleaning and grass cutting by hand and it is slow work.

The first establishment which was anything like a hotel which Mrs. King remembers was the boarding house of Miss Herrold, which was located on what is now Prairie avenue.

At one time Mrs. King and her husband, Dr. King, owned a large tract of land which is now quite a good part of Decatur. This land was procured from the government and consisted of forty acres extending from the line where the Wabash tracks are now located north and from North Main street west.

This year there are quite a number of new monuments and grave stones which are being made and will be put in place soon.

It is likely that few people realize that there are more than half as many dead people in the cemetery as there are living people in the city. The exact count of the graves is not known, as during the earlier days the books were not kept as carefully as they are now but there has been over 30,000 bodies buried in the place.

J. E. Bendum is now entering upon his twenty-fifth year as custodian. For nearly a quarter of a century he has looked after the place and has been away from his duties but very few times during all that period.

The cemetery association was organized March 3, 1857. All persons who own lots in the cemetery are entitled to vote and once, a year a president, secretary and treasurer and a board of directors are chosen to serve for the next year.

The cemetery covers about forty acres. The original plat of ground was not large but several additions have been made and now the cemetery extends south almost to the river.

It is almost impossible to buy a lot in the old part near the gate and what few facts in that part that can be bought are held at high prices. Lots in other parts of the cemetery are sold at different prices according to the location.

Last year the association receipts as shown by the books of the secretary and treasurer, R. R. Montgomery, were \$4,844, while the expenditures were \$4,141. The balance is placed in a fund which as it accumulates is used for the purchase of more land or other improvements. The money of this fund is kept at interest.

At Peoria the corn carnival talk is again agitating the people and the newspapers are booming the idea that the annual fall festival should not be omitted in the fall of 1903. There is no talk here about a festival next fall. Unless some new and untried plan can be suggested, recent experiences teach that Decatur had better pass up the corn carnival idea. The people here have grown weary of the sort of shows that have been held here for several years and the next one is likely to be more of a failure than the last one.

Fagan arrived in the city last night from Decatur and was about the Junction this morning. Soon after dinner he wandered into the C. & E. L. yards where he picked up the bolt having a heavy iron cap on one end. He lifted it and then brought it down on his head with great force, cutting a bad gash. Before he could strike a second blow he was caught and Officer Taylor called. As he was being taken to the Junction he attempted to get away and throw himself under a gravel train in Frankfort-on-the-Main. Fagan's eccentric appearance deeply interested the onlookers. He may be restored after a time, but not just yet, it is thought.

An Englishman used to meet the philosopher, Arthur Schopenhauer, every morning walking with his ugly poodle along the promenade of Frankfort-on-the-Main. Schopenhauer's eccentric appearance deeply interested the onlookers to such an extent that one day he could contain himself no longer and walking up to the philosopher, addressed him abruptly thus:

"Tell me sir, who is the man of fate?" "Ah!" Schopenhauer replied, "I only wish I knew that myself."

Who was the first little boy mentioned in the history of England? Chap. I of what profession is every child a player?

## DECATUR GIRL HAS LITERARY TALENT

WINS PRIZES WRITING VERSE AND PROSE

## THE MEADOW OF THE SLUMS.

A drooping clover in a broken glass,  
An oak leaf treasured up from long ago,  
A bare, baked ground without a blade of grass,  
And rug-weeds in a sultry jagged row;

Behind it all, the filthy gutter runs,  
In front the heavy garbage boxes stand—  
Yet here the ragged children of the slums  
Come flocking in a joyous happy band.

The clover turns to daisies fresh and gay,  
The oak leaf is a grove of noble trees,  
The gutter oft becomes a tranquil bay,  
Where gentle, white-sailed ships can tempt the breeze;

And clover, gutter, oak leaf and the weeds,  
Although dear Mother Nature's very crumb—  
God willed that they should be the day seeds—  
In the meadow of the children of the slums.

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Clinton.

Thomas McMillin, a farmer near  
Hillierville, and Mrs. Carrie Carpenter  
were married by A. J. Richey at his  
residence Wednesday evening at 8  
o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Johnson are the  
parents of a ten-pound boy.

Mrs. L. D. Banks will visit in Decatur.

Mesdames Samuel and P. R. Wilson  
are visiting in Decatur.

John Miller of South Madison street  
has gone to Hot Springs, Ark.

Misses Julia Swan and Mary Ellis  
visited in Champaign.

Lew Rickey has purchased forty  
acres of the Hendrix farm north of  
the city.

M. E. Givler, an elderly cabinet  
maker of this city who fell from a step  
ladder Wednesday and cracked his hip,  
was taken to the St. John's hospital in  
Springfield Wednesday.

Miss H. R. Righter is visiting her  
mother in Sullivan.

Miss Edna Danner of Little Rock,  
Ark., is visiting in Wapella with her  
grandfather, Ed Norvel.

The funeral services of Little Ruby  
Luckenbill were held in the Weldon  
Thursday. She was the six year old  
daughter of Mrs. Dan Luckenbill, a  
widow who resides on East Washington  
street. She died Wednesday of  
brain fever.

Michael J. Cunningham of Bloom-  
ington and Miss Olive Trovera of this  
city were married by Father A.  
M. Dooling Wednesday evening.

Miss Myrtle Myrick of this city and  
Alfred Grind of Amboy were married  
at the home of the bride's parents  
Wednesday at high noon. Rev. S. C.  
Black officiating. A three course din-  
ner followed the ceremony and the  
couple left on the Daylight for Chi-  
cago enroute to New York and will  
be at home in Amboy after May 1st.

Mrs. Frank Sudham has received a  
letter from her daughter, Mrs. George  
Griffith who is in Colorado, stating  
that her husband's health continues  
to improve.

Albert Brightman of Decatur was  
visiting friends in this vicinity Monday.

Carl Wheeler and family visited  
with Marcus relatives Sunday.

Mrs. Murry Seitz who has been criti-  
cally ill for the past two weeks is  
slightly better, but still very sick.

Quite a number of our farmers shell-  
ed their corn the past week.

Attorney E. S. McDonald expects to  
rebuild immediately the house that  
was destroyed by fire near Coulter's  
mill.

Uncle John Hiser suffered from a  
slight stroke of paralysis Wednesday.

The following were elected directors  
at the school elections held Saturday  
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Laughlin Thursday.

Charles Peoples of Decatur, general  
agent of the Deering Binder, and H.  
Bauman transacted business in  
Voorhees Thursday.

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Mt. Auburn.

William Wilkins and Dr. Windor  
did business in Decatur Saturday.

S. W. Webster went to Missouri  
April 21 where he expects to dispose  
of one or more of the several patents  
which he controls.

Tope Dunford, formerly publisher of  
the Mt. Auburn Tribune, came up  
from Springfield Friday morning.

Orville Godrich returned home from  
Quincy last week, having graduated from  
Gem City Business college.

Charles Reed, who was for several  
years assessor of Mt. Auburn township,  
died April 22 of dropsy at his home  
near Roby.

Arrangements have been made to  
begin prospecting for coal in a short  
time at this place. The site chosen is  
just west of the station near the Ul-  
rich elevator.

Clearly Watkins has just been grant-  
ed a teacher's certificate.

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Prairie Hall.

Rev. Ward the lecturer on the U. B.  
church Tuesday.

Miss Ira Griffith returned to her  
home in Brownstown Thursday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Land-  
berg, Friday, a son.

Contractor L. G. Marlowe and his  
force are remodeling the U. B. church  
at this place.

O. C. Worsham has started his  
huckster wagon.

Geo. E. Davidson is receiving grain  
this week.

Mrs. Thomas Logan of Terre Haute  
is visiting with Chas. Mahanna this  
week.

Farmers are very busy plowing for  
corn.

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Oakley.

Sylvester Hiser and family of Dec-  
atur visited relatives in this vicinity  
Sunday.

William Charles and Harry Baker of  
near Almena, Okla., were called  
here last week by the dangerous ill-  
ness of their mother, Mrs. Mary Seitz.

Albert Brightman of Decatur was  
visiting friends in this vicinity Monday.

Carl Wheeler and family visited  
with Marcus relatives Sunday.

Mrs. Murry Seitz who has been criti-  
cally ill for the past two weeks is  
slightly better, but still very sick.

Quite a number of our farmers shell-  
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Attorney E. S. McDonald expects to  
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Jacksonville.

Communication service—Rev. E. E.  
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Carroll, Rosedale.

Wednesday, April 29, Morning  
8:30, Organization and business.

9:15, Devotional service—"Waiting  
on God."—Rev. J. F. Parsons, Wood-  
burn.

9:30, "Modern Thought and Evange-  
gicism"—Rev. A. M. Hall, Springfield.

Discussion.

10:30, The Mid-Week Meeting.

"The Value of a Meeting for Prayer."  
Rev. W. R. Butcher, Chandler.

"How can it be Improved?"—Rev.  
B. B. Winter, Beardstown.

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(9th District, Election, Monday, June 1.)  
W. C. Johns of Macon.  
Solon Philbrick of Champaign.  
W. G. Cochran of Moultrie.

It takes a pretty big man to be a man in Illinois.

The Senate appears to have strangled the civil service bill.

Speaker Miller appears to be something of a man himself.

April 26, 1885, General Johnston surrendered to General Sherman.

The decks are now cleared and the base ball battle can rage.

Remember that this is the right time in the moon to go to church. Try it today.

This is confederate memorial day and a holiday in Alabama, Georgia and Florida.

Bryan and Watterson are in harmony at last. Both agree that Cleveland wrecked the democratic party.

Stuart Robson at the age of 67 is making plans to launch a new play suited to his style.

It may be a little late to mention it but did you see the smoke of the 4th wailed in Tuesday's battle?

Cleveland may be a "has-been" as Mr. Bryan insists. Still that is even better than to be a "never-was."

Representative Gray took a hand in the skirmish in the house on Thursday and got his picture in a St. Louis paper.

What harm can come in giving Chicago what it asks for when the remainder of the state is in no way affected?

Little has been heard lately about Senator John's picture. The election being over our neighbor can resume this fruitful theme.

Germany has barred out American potatoes. If it had only been our Ban Davis apples there would have been some excuse.

There will be a session of the legislature today. What a queer sensation that Saturday session feeling will be! No member ever experienced it before.

Tomorrow is the birthday of General Grant, he being born April 27, 1822. The corner stone of the Grant monument was laid on his birthday in 1892.

It seems too bad that the people could not have been induced to vote on the police bill. Why not have a special election with no other matter to vote on?

St. Louis should have her grand jury take a recess over April 30, the day when President Roosevelt and Post President Cleveland are within its gates or out to the exposition grounds.

American newspapers are 189 years old today. The first paper printed in the new world was the Boston News Letter, April 24, 1704. Since then they have grown until their name is legion.

Alice Carey, who wrote heart-touching poetry, was born April 26, 1820. Artemis Ward, whose real name was Charles F. Browne, was born April 26, 1834. He was one of a school of humorists of a past generation.

Speaker Miller should learn that it is the American theory that a majority should rule. He might further learn that when a legislative body chooses one of its number to preside, it does not surrender all its rights, powers and privileges to its creature.

Want Ben Tillman and Joe Bailey turn green with envy when they read of the riotous proceedings in the Illinois legislature? To think they will have to wait until December before they can have a chance to turn the U. S. Senate into a tough house!

Several Missouri statesmen notably Senator Bill Joel Stone and Lieut. Gov. Lee have that puckery alum taste in their mouths. That baking powder business is raising several kinds of Cain in Missouri.

THE PEOPLE HAVE SOME RIGHTS

The scene in the Illinois house of representatives on Thursday was disgraceful beyond the endurance of the people of the great and orderly state of Illinois. The whole trouble is over legislation concerning street car franchise renewals in Chicago. Speaker Miller ignored the demand of an overwhelming majority for a roll call. The reason given by the speaker for this high handed proceeding was that some one had sought to bribe him. This charge can easily be believed to be true. It is not doubted that the great financial interests involved in the street car system of Chicago would resort to bribery and that they would buy the entire state government, executive, judicial and legislative if they could do so. The excuse given by Speaker Miller for denying the constitutional right of roll call is a very flimsy one and will not hold water. The fact that he had been corruptly approached is no excuse for knowing and willful disregard of his duty as speaker. He concedes that his method was high-handed, but shields himself by saying that it was "not fully unprecedented." This is doubtless true. Other speakers, notably, Haines and Crafts, often carried matters with a high hand. With them the gavel was a majority. This, however, is no justification for the unconstitutional and revolutionary tactics of Miller. When 97 representatives of the people desire to have the roll call, that they may put themselves on record for or against any measure pending in the house, a speaker who denies them the right becomes a very cheap tyrant.

He needs curbing until he will be willing to respect the legal rights of every member of the house. The subject matter of the pending measure makes no difference. The right to deliberation in perfecting a bill and a vote upon each phase of it is guaranteed to every member. Mr. Miller will find that he is neither serving his party nor the people of his district when he permits himself to be made the instrument of unwarranted and unjustifiable proceedings. Speaker Miller should either resign or obey the constitution and laws of Illinois.

## DIPLOMATIC ETIQUETTE

A dilemma has been discovered in diplomatic etiquette in relation to the dedicatory services at the St. Louis exposition. Baron von Sternburg, who

represents Germany in this country and whose predecessor was dean of the diplomatic corps at Washington, has not yet received his commission and therefore, the German envoy's present rank is that of a minister on a special mission, and as such he necessarily is at the foot of the list of ministers and just preceding the charges d'affaires.

While Baron von Sternberg has ostensibly taken no notice of the embarrassing effects of his minor rank, friends of Germany in the United States are dissatisfied that the head of the German embassy should be ranked by all of the foreign representatives at Washington save Venezuela, Uruguay, China and the Dominican republic.

It has been the intention of officials of the St. Louis exposition that Baron Von Sternberg should be among the especially honored guests at the Jelliotary ceremonies and German-Americans there are preparing to make the welcome of the kaiser's representative a hearty one. Official etiquette, however, will prevent the baron from taking a prominent part on that occasion. Unless his credentials as ambassador arrive in the meantime, he will be seated at all official entertainments between Chekihi Bey, and Turkish minister, and Senor Pulido, the Venezuelan charge d'affaires, assuming that the precedent set by the Mexican ambassador at a recent dinner is followed.

## MANY WILL RETIRE.

In the next two years President Roosevelt will have at his disposal more federal judgeships than any of his predecessors in office had. Before the end of his term it is probable that he will have appointed more judges than any other chief magistrate in two terms. A number of distinguished jurists are about to retire, among them Chief Justice Fuller, probably.

The law provides that a judge may retire who has served ten years, or is 70 years old. Chief Justice Fuller has been on the bench since 1888, and is eligible for retirement, both for length of service and age. Justice Harlan has been on the bench a quarter of a century, and, like Chief Justice Fuller, is still vigorous, physically and mentally, but in the natural course of events his retirement is looked for within the next few years. Justice Brewer and Justice Brown can also retire within the next two years if they see fit. Several retirements are probable on the circuit bench and in the court of claims. One of these or the court of claims is Judge Weldon of Bloomington. Judge Wright of Urbana, was a recent appointment to this court.

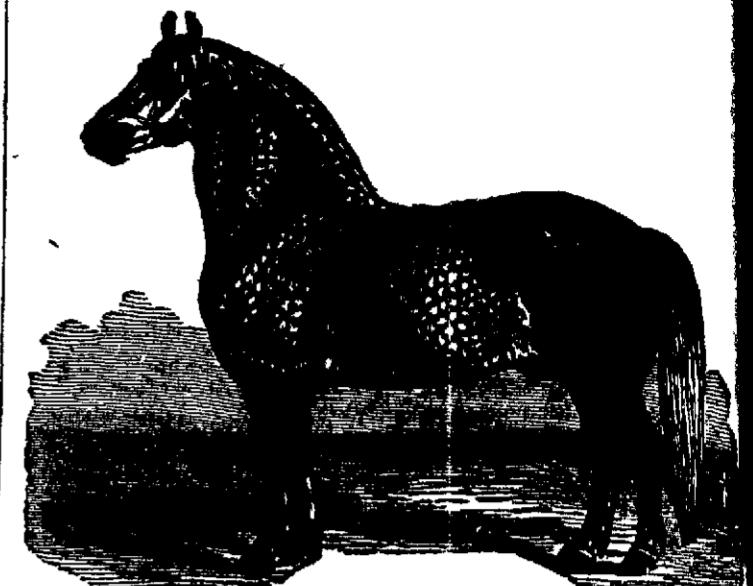
Dr. Adolph Lorenz, the noted Vienna surgeon, has removed the plaster cast from the hip of little Lolita Armour and the child can walk without difficulty. This is a case that has attracted the attention of the civilised world, says the Star. The little girl was born with a congenital hip disease. There was no socket for the hip bone and the best surgeon insisted that she was past all help. Dr. Lorenz, however, by manipulation of the limb and without the aid of the knife brought the bone against the socket, pried it in place, held it there by a plaster cast until a socket formed and now he has liberated the limb and she can walk as well as other little girls of her age. It is a great triumph for the world. For the doctor gave his method to the medical fraternity and this will now be the adopted plan for treating those cases. His method was sneered at at first as impracticable and was foredoomed to failure. When he came to America the state board actually had the impudence to make him take out a license before they would permit him to operate, and if they could would doubtless have prevented him from giving the little girl relief because his treatment was not regular. We have a number of cases now in the legislature who are following these old medical plugs and are insisting that they shall be the sole judges of who shall practice medicine. Some fool has even wished to extend it to dentists and try to exclude from practice all dentists who advertise or who in any way endeavor to show the public that one way to care for their stomachs and general health is to take care of their teeth, and yet we are told that in order to regulate these matters we must select a board appointed by politicians and composed of members who being unable to make a living by the practice of their profession are fit persons to sit upon the merits of their more fortunate brothers. The idea of saying that a man must not be allowed to practice medicine or dentistry because he sets forth his claim before the public is simply a relic of the dark ages. It was then held that all diseases come from the devil and the only proper way to effect a cure was

...A VISIT TO...

## "Glen Echo" Stock Farm

We were invited by Mr. Crabb, owner of the "Glen Echo" stock farm to visit his farm and see his stock and Sunday being such a nice day I took some friends of mine and went out.

The farm is elegantly located, being just a mile and a half north of Decatur on the Bloomington road, which is one of the most traveled roads in Macon county. I was agreeably surprised and pleased to see and know the such fine horses and Berkshire hogs were being raised so close to Decatur. The cut below shows a handsome Percheron Stallion weighing 2100 lbs and not fat, but made up of bone and muscle.



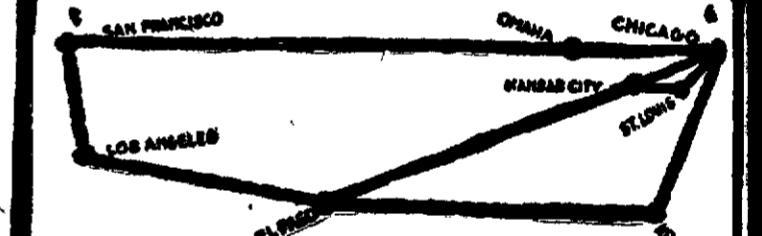
This horse is an imported stallion and a great show horse, having already won several prizes, including a first at the last state fair. He is four years old and has a beautiful coat of dark grey, the true color of the Percheron family. The last edition of the Breeders' Gazette proves my statement. This is the kind of horses we need in this section of the country and most heartily wish Mr. Crabb success which he is sure to have.



The above cut shows a true type of the German Coach Stallion, having some dark bay coat weighing 1300 pounds and stands 16 hands high. A grand 3 year old was never owned around here before. Besides being a grand looking horse full of girth and quality, he has the bone and action which goes to breed to get the colts of good bone and size for your carriage.

Mr. Crabb also raises fine registered Berkshire pigs and always has young stock for sale. Enough can not be said of the good things to be seen at the "Glen Echo" farm and we wish success to all of its branches, believing that no stock can be introduced to good for Decatur. Visitors are always welcome and we thank Mr. Crabb for the courtesies shown us.

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Speaker Allen: "The gentleman is now out of order." Mr. Murray: "A point of order. My point of order is that there is no question before the house." Mr. Gray: "Are we here in a legal sense?" A dozen voices: "Yes, sir; yes, sir; yes, sir."

Married Last Night. Melvin Welty and Miss Rita Eckard were married Thursday night at half past seven o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Susan Eckard on the south side. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Burnham, of the Christian church of Decatur. Only relatives of the contract

Deeds Recorded. Caroline M. Powers to Little G. Hammond, lot in block 2 of Powers' first addition to Decatur; \$75.

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## FATHER WAS FIRST SHERIFF

ROBT. WARNUCK MEXICAN WAR VETERAN.

Subject of this sketch Mr. Robert Wornick was born in Rutherford County, Tennessee, December 21, 1824, on the battle ground of Stone River, or in soldier readers have a vivid picture of the Blue Mound.

Mr. Wornick has no remembrance of his life as his family moved to Illinois in the fall of 1828, taking up a home in the old Elk farm three miles north of Elgin, and where R. J. Huie Elston now lives.

Uncle Rob, as he is called, recalls the rough log cabin fourteen by sixteen, just high enough for one room, covered with rough clap boards held in place by weight poles, all cut from the timber which surrounded the spot and occupied by six sisters, each having five brothers and a father and mother as he expressed it. The floor was made of hewn puncheons, the cracks chinked and daubed with sticks and mud the chimney was of the style known as cat-in-clay, clap boards be-

toward the west in 1825 was Martin Klemble's at Bolivar, nineteen miles away, west of Mt. Auburn, the nearest post being that of Uncle Lewis Ward at Salem church, the family of Wm. Ward living still east and north of that, John Ward who had the reputation of being an Indian fighter.

Mr. Wornick tells of the privations endured, of how neighbors would visit or borrow from each other, travelling miles to meet, or how his mother knit spuns and wove, of how they bleached ashes to make their own soap, of how they cooked over the fire, or the corn pone of Johnny cakes, of wild turkey eggs, dried venison, or wild hog hams fastened upon mast, of how they made the corn bread hump itself by pearlash made by the women, not even having salararies in those days of exciting wolf hunts of prowling Kickapoos, of an occasional marauder in search of horse thieves, murderers, etc. all these scenes which have passed away and many more does Uncle Robert relate.

His father became the first sheriff of Macon county and decided to enter a piece of land going to Vandalia to make his application and secure a land warrant which was duly signed by President Jackson at Washington.

Mr. Wornick attended school a few

months east of the Green Hill farm

taught by a Mr. McCall afterwards

county clerk of that county, he relates an incident of school life in which Uncle Jesse Austin concluded he would

whip the teacher but in turn got sev-

erely thrashed for his cupidity, to-

company of twenty men he marched

under First Lieutenant Dick Oglesby

to Camargo and Tampico thence to

Vera Cruz, three hundred miles away,

entangled by a dense forest delayed

by supply teams, and harassed by

wily Mexican guerrillas making a part

of the trip upon a sailing vessel being

sea sick for several days. At the rear

of Vera Cruz he witnessed the bom-

bardment of the strong castle in the

afternoon nearly losing his life by a se-

vere attack of stomach trouble while

escaping the shot and shell from the

embattlements.

When the castle fell he marched in

to battle at Cerro Gordo was at Jal-

apa and returned with the mules captured

at Cerro Gordo to Vera Cruz

where he heard of the capture of the

City of Mexico and the end of the war.

The incidents of this war experience

would fill a volume, an exciting

and humorous nature and too

lengthy for this article.

Of his comrades he now knows of

but two living, viz. Matthew Brad-

shaw, of Elizabethtown and Thomas

Ritchie of Sangamon. The latter of whom was severely wounded at Cerro

Gordo.

Mr. Wornick died and he married

Miss Mary E. Lay, a daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Hamilton Lay, of Blue

Mound township, and who crossed over

many years since.

Mr. Wornick is now in his seventy-

ninth year, hale and hearty, possessed

of all his mental faculties, eyes slightly

dimmed sense of humor acute, and al-

together a typical gentleman of the

old school down to isolated individuals in widely separated neighbor-

hoods awaiting the summons of Him

who cares for the least in His Kingdom.

The Sangamon afforded an abun-

dance of fish the prairie was dotted

with wild chickens and the timber

had many squirrels wild turkeys,

lurky brants, cranes, etc. The prairie

grass was full of black rattlesnakes

and the timber with the yellow variety

together with other snakes to a man's

liking.

Mr. Wornick describes the wooden

mould-board plow with a bar shear

uttering a furrow of thirteen inches or

more, and drawn by four yoke of cattle

this was followed by a boy who

dropped seed corn into every third fur-

row in such a position that the corn

might sprout and come up between the

cracks of the sward of grass turned by

the primitive plow. He relates that it

was not fashionable to work or plow

the corn until the second year, and

that it was a long time before they

could give up clearing land instead of

breaking the prairie.

## VIEWS OF RECENT CYCLONE

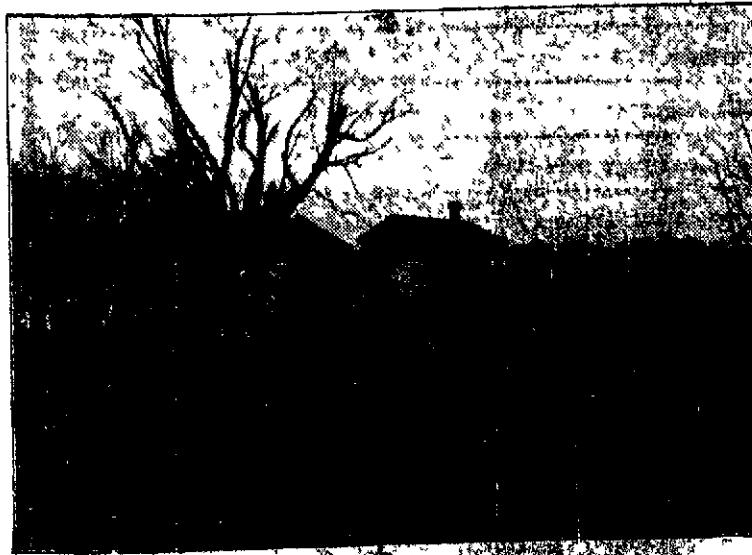
Sunday afternoon, April 12, a disastrous cyclone swept over territory a few miles east of Lincoln. The country homes of Samuel V. Baldwin in Chester township and Adam Schonauer in East Lincoln township were almost totally destroyed. The accompanying illustrations are reproductions of pictures taken the evening of the cyclone by W. O. Paisley.



ADAM SCHONAUER'S FAMILY AND FRIENDS SIXTEEN IN NUMBER WERE UNDER THESE RUINS.



SMOKEHOUSE WHERE MRS. S. V. BALDWIN AND TWO HIRED HANDS WERE.



WRECKED HOME OF SAMUEL V. BALDWIN.



WHAT WAS LEFT OF ADAM SCHONAUER'S HOME.

## PLAN OUTLINED

Sunday School Workers Meet and Prepare for the Annual Township Conventions.

SCHEME IS ENTIRELY NEW.

And It is Believed to be Most Effective Ever Adopted.

There was a meeting of the executive committee and township vice presidents Saturday afternoon. They selected four persons to have charge of the township conventions. They are P. P. Laughlin, D. M. Riber, J. F. Wicks and A. H. Mills. They will divide the Sunday school workers into four groups. The conventions will be held in each division for two evenings and one day in every township except Decatur where it will be held one evening and one day. For every day for one week a convention will be held in eight townships.

Beginning Monday night, May 18 and Tuesday and Wednesday night conventions will be at Blue Mound, Macon, Milam and Harrison. Tuesday night conventions will be held at Boones Mill, Zion and Long Creek Wednesday night, Thursday and Thursday night conventions will be held at Oglethorpe, Maroa, Austin, and Orange. Thursday night, Friday and Friday night conventions will be held at Niantic, Forsyth, Warrensburg and Argenta. Friday night and Saturday the convention for Decatur township will be held. The conventions will be under the direction of the township vice presidents. Mr. Wicks will assist Elgin, Macon, Forsyth, Argenta, and Orange. Mr. Laughlin will assist at Milam, Mt. Zion, Long Creek, Orange and Argenta. Mr. Mills will assist at Milam, Mt. Zion, and G. S. Hugle's will assist in Decatur township. The city pastors have kindly consented to assist in the conventions and one will probably be in each of the conventions out of the city. There will be an adjourned meeting of the committee next Saturday to complete the arrangements at P. P. Laughlin's office. Those who hold their convention the first evenings will concentrate their efforts here the following Friday night and those in the convention during the day and the second evening will be in Decatur on Saturday.

The intention of the meetings is to get more people interested in the series of township conventions than have ever participated before, and to be helpful to the pastors, officers, teachers and parents. The program at each convention will be on the following order.

First Day, Evening.  
7:30 Song and Prayer Service  
8:00 Address  
8:30 Adjournment  
9:00 Second Day, Morning.  
9:30 Song and Prayer Service  
10:00 Our Standards. A five minute paper on each by local worker.  
(a) Teachers' Meeting  
(b) Written Review  
(c) Local Army or Gladstone  
(d) Normal Work  
(e) Home Department  
(f) Cradle Roll  
(g) Rally Day  
(h) Decision Day  
Round Table Conference on above topics

11:30 Adjournment  
Second Day, Afternoon.  
2:00 Song and Prayer Service  
2:30 Normal Lesson  
3:00 Primary Work  
3:30 Needs of this Township—How to Meet Them  
4:00 Report from Superintendent of each school from the records  
4:30 Election of Township Officers  
Second Day, Evening.  
5:30 Prayer Service  
6:00 Address  
Offering for Township and County Work  
6:30 Address  
8:00 Adjournment

The Anthracite Coal Operators of Pennsylvania Have the Situation Firmly in Their Grasp.

## THE BARON'S GRIP

RETAIL DEALERS ARE HELPLESS

Anthracite Jobbers Have Been Forced Out of the Business.

According to the statements of the transportation company, from any cause whatever, or for any other cause beyond our control.

"All accounts are due on the 15th of the month for coal shipped during the previous month and subject to draft after maturity. All overdue accounts shall draw interest at six (6) per cent."

"All sales are made subject to advance in freight rates until cars are received for by the railroads. Any increase in cost of freight from mines to point of delivery to be added to the price quoted or billed."

"There's another condition that they take on the accepted order. The above order for coal is given with the express stipulation that if any part of it, for any cause whatever, is not filled on the last day of this month, the balance will be shipped at the price prevailing at the time that the coal goes forward, unless we request the unfilled portion canceled."

"We sign that last paragraph, not from choice, but from necessity. Formerly there were a number of jobbers, but now all coal comes direct from the operator. The operators combined and went after the jobber so that he is now out of business. In the old days the jobbers would buy immense amounts of coal early in the spring and hold it until fall and then undersell the operators just enough to get the business."

"It took immense sums of money for the jobbers to carry on their business, but the coal was good collateral and they managed without difficulty until the operators took a hand. There was one occasion when an Illinois jobber went to the mines and bought 1,500 car loads of coal and paid the cash for it. He bought early in the springtime and held the fuel till fall. In those days he could make a deal with some freight agent and hold at least a large part of the fuel in cars on the side tracks. He couldn't do that now. In the fall he would undersell the operators and get the business of the retailer. Now the retailer can get coal as cheap as the jobber and the jobber has gone out of business."

"All prices subject to change without notice. Quotations and contracts shall not be binding until orders from purchasers shall have been received in writing and accepted by us in the same manner. Purchasers shall not assign their contracts without our consent in writing. All sales are for shipment to purchasers in the town or towns where they are regularly in business."

"Invoice weights at original point of shipment shall govern settlements. After the delivery of the coal to the carrier our responsibility ceases and the coal shall then in all respects be at the risk of the purchaser."

"One time one of our customers was kicking about the price of hard coal and said that the people here should refuse to buy anthracite for a time and that that would bring the operators to time and that rather than lose the business they would reduce the price. Compared with the total western business amounts to very little. When in New York City less than two years

ago I was in the office of one of the biggest coal companies in the country and there I was shown the figures which demonstrated that less than 12 per cent. of the total output was shipped west of Buffalo. If that is true what effect would it have if every consumer in the entire state of Illinois would cease to use hard coal?"

"All there is to the situation is that the operators have the business in hand and there is such a demand for the fuel that they can and they do as they please, in the matter terms and prices."

OUR TYPHOID STATISTICS

Forty-Four Cases in Ten Years and Per Cent Fatal.

Carl Unger of St. Louis who was in the city Saturday for the purpose of procuring statistics concerning typhoid fever cases for the past

years to be used as evidence in the trial between the State of Missouri and the State of Illinois looked over the records of this city and the records of the city of St. Louis.

1893, 5; 1894, 7; 1895, no record.

1896, 2; 1897, no record; 1898, 5; 1899,

1900, 11; 1901, 5; 1902, 4.

A total of 44 cases recorded in ten years. Out of this number about 20 per cent were fatal.

Mr. Unger went from here to Jackson Saturday morning and after finishing his business there he was intending to go to St. Louis so that he could spend Sunday at home.

Most of the evidence is now ready and as soon as it is all in there will be a meeting of the commission in charge at the Southern Hotel hotel in St. Louis and it will be made ready for presentation to the court.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Of Railroad Y. M. C. A. Secretaries to be Held in Topeka.

The International Railroad conference is to be held in Topeka, Kansas, April 20 to May 2. Seven representatives

Brown of the R. R. I. M. C. A. will attend from this city. This is the only time the Railroads' association

# HUTCHIN & HARDY'S

Store--139 N. Water St.



Have one of the best selected Spring Stocks of Shoes in Decatur.

**Ladies' Shoes** for dress--The faultless Dorothy Dodd--and many others. We please the people--prices right.

**Men's Shoes** that can't be matched. They are H. & H. Special \$3.00; The Ralston at \$4.00, only at our store.

**Shoes for Men and Boys** for service that hold up and wear--goods that will do the work.

*Give them a trial.*

## HUTCHIN & HARDY

Repairing Promptly Done

### TRUGGLE BEGINS

C. B. & Q. Company Refuses the Demands Made a Week Ago.

### STRIKERS ARE DETERMINED.

Union Tinners Got a Nine Hour Day.

He said several days ago that he would, on Friday Wilson Bering, agent of the C. B. & Q. agricultural agent works, gave an answer to who on Monday refused to who he had given an answer to and for 16 2-3 cents an hour, hours to constitute a day's work. The answer was in the form of a to the committee which had been upon him Monday and declining grant the request. In making the answer, the letter in behalf of the company said that the company was to pay as much as manufacturing concerns in the same line of business with whose goods the goods of Decatur concern come in competition.

There was no conference between manager and the members of the committee which received the letter. There was no statement to the effect that the men were barred, those called at the office were paid up on the time that they quit work on the day that the committee had received letter some of the strikers were what would be done and they agreed that they would simply quit for their original demand that if they did not get what they asked for, they would not resume work. Last night the strikers held a meeting in the miners' hall on East Grand street. They decided unanimously that they would not return to work unless they got the hours and that they asked for.

The men who have been out all this week number forty-four and are the killed laborers. The skilled men, metal workers, have remained at work, but yesterday the strikers said they hoped to secure the support of metal workers and that they would be asked to come out in support of the men who have been out a week. The expectation is that we will be an effort in that line to

Wilson Bering was interviewed by a reporter he said "We are going to pay for unskilled labor at other concerns in our line, are this is what we told the committee when we gave them their answer this afternoon. When they told us that our competitors are doing what they demand of us, we consider the demand beyond that he would make no effort. He would not say that he would make an effort to fill the places the men who had struck or that would not do so.

Get a Nine Hour Day. Yesterday evening every one of the employees signed on the agreement to the request of the union men a nine hour day and to pay the wages that were formerly paid for a ten hour day--\$2.50.

At the hall on East Main street, night the union men held a meeting to hear the report and natural they were well pleased that they got what they asked without any商量. In addition to the hour day it is agreed that all over shall be paid for at the rate of a half and a half and that Sunday if any, shall be double time. The scale here is effective May 4.

The union also elected a delegate to the convention which meets in Milwaukee on Monday next. Robert Byron was chosen to represent the local of the meeting of the Amalgamated Metal Workers' International Association.

Deeds Recorded.

Pratt et al to W. C. Johns lot 7 in Western addition to Decatur.

Barnes, administrator of the J. P. Smallwood to Mary E. Pratt 3 in the resurvey of the addition to Decatur.

In Mary E. Dodge.

### CONDITIONAL \$5,000 OFFER

The Y. M. C. A. Will Get That Sum if They Can Raise All Money by May 4.

### SUBSCRIBERS SHOULD PAY UP.

Another gift has been made to the Y. M. C. A. This time the sum is \$5000 and is given by a man who does not want his name known at the present time and who lays down certain conditions which must be met before the money will be given.

A business man came to Secretary Patterson Saturday and said that he would give \$5000 toward the new Y. M. C. A. building if the board of directors would by May 4 secure enough donations or subscriptions to see their way clear to erect the building. In other words the \$5000 is coming if enough more money can be subscribed within seven days to make the building a sure thing.

Secretary Patterson says that this means that it is up to the people who intend to give as to whether or not this \$5000 can be procured.

The intention is to secure about \$75,000 for the new building and the association will not start to build until enough money has been secured to put up the building free of debt.

Already nearly half of the amount has been secured, but there are yet many persons who have expressed an intention of giving but who are holding back. If these people will make their subscriptions at once and others will give, Mr. Patterson says that the board will be able to secure the \$5000 which has been offered.

At any rate the board will make every effort to meet the conditions during the next week and secure the total sum, or enough to make the building a sure thing so that the donation of \$5000 can be received by the association.

You can't make a horse fast by starving him.

## DECLINES OFFICE

Mayor-elect W. F. Stevenson of Monticello Says that He Will Not Qualify.

### HE WILL PAY THE EXPENSES

Of Electing His Successor--He Is An Anti-License Man.

Monticello had a surprise Friday morning when the announcement was made that W. F. Stevenson mayor-elect, would refuse to qualify for the office to which he had been chosen. The authoritative announcement came from Mr. Stevenson in a letter as follows:

Monticello, Ill., April 24, 1903.  
To the City Council of Monticello:

Dear Sirs--I decline to serve as

mayor. If you call another election

charge the expense to my account.

Respectfully,

W. F. STEVENSON.

The successful candidate is a democrat and defeated A. F. Moore, the present incumbent, by twenty-four votes. While the candidates were on party tickets the contest was, as usual in Monticello, more of a personal matter. They did not indulge in bitter personalities, but the election of Mr. Stevenson was no doubt due to his personal popularity.

The burning issue at Monticello in city elections, now as for years past is the license question, but that does not divide the candidates. It is possible to have an anti-license mayor while saloons are permitted because there is an agreement that the question shall be voted on separately and the will of the voters is strictly observed. Stevenson is an anti-license man, but appeared in the recent campaign only as a democrat. The license folks won on Tuesday last by a majority of thirty-eight.

The supposition is that Mr. Stevenson did not wish to preside at the head of a license administration when he was opposed to the system. He does not say so but that is the belief among his personal friends. He is a retired farmer and a man of means.

The next meeting of the city council of Monticello will be held on the night of May 5 and the expectation is that no official action will be taken until that time.

### PARIS ROMANCE.

At Paris the facts have just come to light of a somewhat romantic elopement, the parties concerned being Tilda Clegg, the seventeen year old son of W. A. Clegg, West Court street grocer and Mrs. Julia Stark a pretty little widow, who is probably ten years his senior. The boy's infatuation for Mrs. Stark has been for some time evident and his parents have made every effort to overcome it but with the usual result the opposition only caused the flames of true love to burn more fiercely.

Mr. Clegg has sold his present residence on West Main street.

Several other lots in the addition have been sold to persons who will probably build.

R. R. Montgomery and John Ulrich, the owners of Beman Place, east of the city, will place on sale more lots in the addition. Last July four blocks of 68 lots were laid out in Beman Place and now all of these lots excepting nine have been sold and four blocks more located between East Prairie and East Main streets have been laid out and will be offered for sale after May 1. These lots will range in price from \$300 to \$600. Many of the persons who bought lots in the addition will build.

A sewer or drain tile will be put in at once connecting the tile on William street which empties into the city sewer with another tile which extends through East Park Boulevard on East Prairie street thereby draining the low part of the addition in block 2. All of these lots have been sold and will be improved and the tile is to give them proper drainage.

The record office shows that there has been a good week of real estate transfers. For the week ending Saturday night 33 warranty deeds were recorded besides six quit claim deeds.

The total amount of the considerations in the latter was \$1713 and the total of the considerations in the warranty deeds for the week was \$51,548.

### AT REST IN GREENWOOD.

Burial of Mrs. G. W. McFarland on Friday Evening.

The funeral of Mrs. George W. McFarland was held Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the family residence, 610 East Eldorado street, and was largely attended.

The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Birnbach, rector of St. John's Episcopal church. There were many beautiful flowers, remembrances from the many friends of the family.

The music was given by a choir composed of D. L. Bunn, A. Lindamood, Miss Noy Montgomery and Miss Grace Hubbard. "Lead Kindly Light" and two other selections were sung at the hour. Mr. Birnbach conducted the regular Episcopal service. There were no remarks.

The burial was at Greenwood cemetery and there was a short committal service at the grave. The pall bearers were Kyle Bohon, Frank Evans, Arthur Dumont, Edward Powers, J. E. Strohm and Sherry Ehrman.

San Francisco, April 25--At Oakland today in the two mile race, Learoyd stumbled and fell. Before Jockey Watson could rise he was struck by the hoofs of another horse and his skull was fractured. Physicians say he is likely to die.

Jockey Earl who was hurt yesterday died from congestion of the brain.

# BRADLEY BROS.

### Floor Rugs

Our display of Floor Rugs (large size) will be more complete than ever before, showing all the latest colorings and styles obtainable in Tapestry, Body, Wilton and Axminster.

### Matting

We call attention to our own importation of China and Japan Matting, the most superb line ever shown in Decatur. This large and varied assortment comprises weaves and patterns entirely new to us here and which have never been shown in this country, except in San Francisco.

### Bed Room Curtains

A beautiful line of Fish Net and Muslin Curtains, trimmed with lace and ruffles, at 48c to \$3.50 a pair.

Curtain Drapery by the yard, 5c up to 60c.

A nice line of real Scotch Madras, by the yard 25c to 90c.

A complete line of Shades, Poles and Fixtures.

### Linoleum

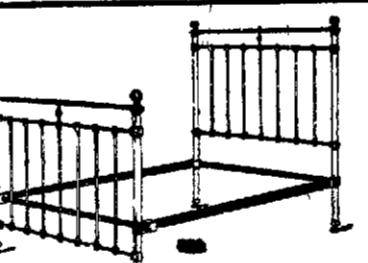
English Linoleum (Westminster) represents in quality the most durable floor covering known, and for artistic colorings and designs is equal to velvet carpet. This particular quality (Westminster) is composed entirely of oxidized linseed oil and ground cork.

*Bradley Bros*  
DRY GOODS & FURNISHINGS  
Decatur Ill.

## THE REASON WHY

This store does the largest volume of business; the reason why our prices are the lowest, is because we buy in the largest quantities and take advantage of all cash discount, carry the largest assortment of House Furnishing Goods in Central Illinois and in consequence of our large volume of trade can do business on smaller profits.

Our floors are crowded with new spring goods; we have thousands of dollars worth of goods that must go before June 1st; if you want goods at reasonable prices come here; if you want cheap trashy goods, dear at any price, you must go elsewhere.



### INTERURBAN FOLDING GO CARTS

Can be folded up and carried with you. Some as low as

**\$3.50**

A neat brass trimmed bed as low as ..... **\$2.50**

Handsome Scott bed ..... **\$4.50**

Full brass top and knobs, extension foot ..... **\$6**

A full line of finer beds.

The new styles in Iron Beds never

were so varied, beautiful, and reasonable in price. Throw away that old wood bed and come in select a new dainty iron bed.

A sewer or drain tile will be put in at once connecting the tile on William street which empties into the city sewer with another tile which extends through East Park Boulevard on East Prairie street thereby draining the low part of the addition in block 2. All of these lots have been sold and will be improved and the tile is to give them proper drainage.

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## BEGIN THE WORK

Committee Which Will Make Arrangements for the Visit of President Roosevelt's Visit June 4.

WAS ORGANIZED SATURDAY.

Committee Gives Statement to Public—Much Work to Be Done.

At a meeting of citizens held at the courthouse on the evening of March 20 W. F. Calhoun was instructed to point a committee of fifteen of which he should also be a member to make the necessary arrangements to carry out the program on the occasion of the President's visit to the city June 4. He completed this work yesterday the names of the members of the committee follow.

Mayo, C. C. Shilling, B. Bradley, J. M. Gray, Arthur J. Gallagher, Owen Scott, Jerry Donahue, Dr. A. R. Taylor, Alex. Robertson, J. M. Crowley, Robert L. Hunt, W. H. Starr, W. L. Shaeffer, George Wilson, George Mueller, Dr. B. Hall and W. F. Calhoun.

The committee met at the postoffice at 5 o'clock p.m. yesterday and organized by electing W. F. Calhoun chairman and Robert L. Hunt secretary. The chairman, who has done the correspondence with the president's private secretary in relation to the president's visit to Decatur and to whom has been entrusted the president's instructions in relation to the general arrangements desired for his visit, read the correspondence arranging for the president's stop here and the instructions and stated that in selecting the committee the first consideration was to secure the services of men on the committee who were willing to spend their time and energy to make the occasion a great day for Decatur and who would be discreet enough to make and carry out such arrangements as will give the people the best possible opportunity to see the president and likewise the president, the best possible means of getting and speaking to the people that they were selected because they are believed to be good workers and not because they are supposed to be the only good men in the city.

All the members of the committee were present and expressed a readiness to do their duty, fully realizing the vast amount of work that will be necessary. The chairman and secretary of the committee were instructed to prepare a general plan of work for the committee of fifteen the plan to be submitted for discussion at the meeting to be held on Tuesday night next. After due consideration the following statement was given to the press for the information of the public.

## No Reception

The President's visit to Decatur June 4, 1903, involves nothing in the nature of a reception in which any number of our people may be introduced to him or any number as a reception committee may meet him. In fact, in the very nature of things the short period he has at his disposal in the city and the absence he will be required to travel on the University grounds to the railway station absolutely prohibits all these out-of-the-way meetings in addition to the people assembled when he speaks.

He will make two brief addresses, one in the university and one at the railway station. In neither instance will the person selected to introduce the president be permitted to speak beyond a mere introduction.

In view of these facts the committee just appointed in pursuance of the directions of the citizens meeting held at the courthouse March 20, in holding a reception committee but one will be formed, it is the duty of the committee to see to it that the President's visit to the city is a success. The committee may have the best possible opportunity to see and hear him to devise plans for excursions to Decatur on that day with the view of getting the largest possible number of people into the city and provide for their comfort and arrange the meetings and the drive through the city in safety and within the time allotted to us.

## Plenty of Work.

To accomplish these things a number of other committees will have to be appointed and this committee will appoint such committees as may be necessary. They will have to be committees on finance, entertainment, decorations for city and streets through which the President and party will pass, also to arrange for carriages and horses. These will all be working committees and it is hoped that no one will accept a position on any committee who has not the time or the disposition to help. Remember the time of the President's visit here will be so occupied that it will be impossible to use an ornamental committee of my kind.

The committee will meet every Tuesday evening at the Decatur club rooms to push the matter of the President's entertainment and incidentally to make the occasion of his visit the greatest day Decatur ever saw.

## President's Party.

Postmaster Calhoun has received from Secretary Loeb an official list of the members of the President's party which will be as follows:

President Roosevelt, Secretary Loeb, Assistant Secretary Bryan, Surgeon-General P. M. Riley, U. S. N. Nelson P. Webster, M. C. Latta, J. L. McGraw, stenographer, C. R. Rosenberg, representing the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; If A. Colman, Associated Press, R. H. Hazard, Scripps-McRae Press Association and Publishers' Press Association, Lindsay Denison, New York Sun Press Association, R. L. Dunn, Collier's Weekly, George R. Luckey, Leslie's Weekly, N. Lazarus, Harper's Weekly, H. A. Strohmeier, photographer, P. W. Williams, Western Union Telegraph Company, J. P. Gooch, Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, F. H. Tyree, R. H. Taylor, Company, A. Connell, W. W. Stone, and three messengers.

## Condition Improves.

Thomas Costello of Maroa was in Decatur yesterday having just returned home from Omaha where Mrs. Costello is in a hospital where she had an operation performed for relief from eye trouble. Mr. Costello says that the man works to be called out but it is not known definitely at what time it is to happen. They have no complaint to the surgeon, but they are to go out in sympathy with the strikers.

Condition improves.

## WANTS A DIVORCE

Mrs. Elizabeth Hawkins Charges Her Husband, Bert Hawkins, With Infidelity.

## PROCEEDINGS OF CIRCUIT COURT

Mrs. Elizabeth Hawkins has filed in the office of the circuit clerk a bill for a divorce from her husband, Bert Hawkins. The divorce is of interest for the reason that the defendant in this suit was the plaintiff in a damage suit against William Perrine which was tried a few months ago in the Macoupin county circuit court.

Hawkins charged Perrine with the allegation of his wife's infidelity and after the case had dragged along for quite a while Hawkins got a small verdict. Now his wife brings suit against him for a divorce and charges him with infidelity.

The session of the circuit court Saturday was a short one and Judge Cochran adjourned until Monday morning. The January term will soon be ended.

The entries on the dockets Saturday were as follows:

Common Law.

Suffern Hunt and Company vs W. N. Potter et al. *assumpsit*, dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

Chancery.

Orilla Lenke vs William C. Lenke, divorce rule extended to April 29.

Mrs. J. A. Rapp vs Joseph B. Robinson, creditor's bill, dismissed at cost of complainant.

## MRS. SARAH FLETCHER DEAD.

Husband and Son Returning from Decatur Find Her Nearing the End.

## CORONER HOLDS AN INQUEST.

Mrs. Sarah Fletcher, wife of Noah Fletcher, living near Long Creek, died suddenly Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Fletcher was 66 years old and it is supposed that her death was due to natural causes.

About 4:30 p.m. Mrs. Fletcher left the house to feed the ducks. She went out in the yard and looked after her ducks and came back to the house. When her son, Stephen Fletcher, left his house to go to the barn to milk, Mrs. Fletcher showed no signs of illness. Stephen shortly after his husband and his son, Will Fletcher, who had been in Decatur, returned home. They found Mrs. Fletcher on the lounge moaning. She asked them to open a door that she might have more fresh air. Mr. Fletcher asked where the camphor bottle was kept thinking that the drug would revive his wife. Mrs. Fletcher said:

Here it is and then died. Coroner Dawson was notified and went to the home and held an inquest. The jury returned a verdict finding the death was due to natural causes. The jury was composed of George W. McDonald, Frank Tracy, H. Hammond, Alfred R. Hunt, C. H. Reynolds and I. W. Stackhouse.

Mrs. Fletcher was born in Ohio in 1831. She came to Illinois and settled in Macon county in 1856. She is survived by her husband and two sons, Stephen and William Fletcher and a sister, Mrs. Samuel Myers of Decatur.

The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Monday from the family residence and the burial will be at Brush College.

## BROTHER'S WIFE.

Marion Walden Elopement Taking Three Children Along.

Thomas Walden died some months ago near Solomon, leaving a widow and two sons, Marion and Tyler. He also left a large sum of land and \$10,000 cash which was devised to his wife and two sons.

Walden was accompanied by his wife, his brother and her three children. He got the check cashed at Warner's bank, but he never bought the furniture.

Sunday afternoon he disappeared from his home and at the same time his brother, wife and the children also disappeared.

He was in the city today and stated that he believed his brother had eloped with his family. He did not seem much excited about the matter and was more anxious to find out about the check than to locate his missing spouse and children. No attempt is being made to locate them—

## AFRAID OF DECATUR.

Monequa Don't Want to Let Us In On Interurban.

Sufficient information developed at the last meeting of the Monequa Business Men's Association to practically assure an east and west electric railway along the line of Mr. Rawle's survey through this city. This road will run from Shelbyville to Springfield and the Business Men's association of Shelbyville will see to it that the right of way is secured from their side of the road to a point near Prairie Home, while Mowenquai will be expected to secure the right of way westward to the city and thence to the Christiana River. With a united effort this project may mature into a reality. Mr. Ira Baird, one of the most progressive men in North Shelby county, is heartily in sympathy with this plan, and Shelbyville is strongly in sympathy with it. At the next meeting of the Monequa association Mr. Baird is expected to be present and address the association, and letters from capitalists who are interested will be read.

While the Call-Mail is in no sense alarming a condition presents itself in this project of which we may well believe Decatur might decide to extend a connecting line to this route. Under no conditions must this be permitted. Neither Monequa nor Shelbyville wants electric railway connections with Decatur. This would be suicidal to every business interest except to Decatur—Monequa.

## UNSETTLED.

Strikers at the C. B. & Q. are Holding Out.

The strike at the C. B. & Q. shops still remains unsettled. At the meeting of the strikers Friday evening nothing definite was decided on but it was said that the allied metal mechanics would probably be called out Saturday. C. C. Morris, president of the allied metal mechanics, who is the man to be called out but it is not known definitely at what time it is to happen. They have no complaint to the surgeon, but they are to go out in sympathy with the strikers.

Condition improves.

Thomas Costello of Maroa was in Decatur yesterday having just returned home from Omaha where Mrs. Costello is in a hospital where she had an operation performed for relief from eye trouble. Mr. Costello says that the man works to be called out but it is not known definitely at what time it is to happen. They have no complaint to the surgeon, but they are to go out in sympathy with the strikers.

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## TYPHOID FEVER

St. Louis Representative Seeks Statistics as to Number of Cases in Illinois Cities.

## USE IT AS EVIDENCE IN LAW SUIT

He Will Seek Information in Decatur Today.

Carl Ungar, second associate city counselor of St. Louis arrived in Decatur last evening and will be here for a part of today. He bears a letter from Mayor Rolla Wells of St. Louis, stating that he is on business for the commission which is collecting evidence to be introduced in the case of the State of Missouri versus the State of Illinois and the Sanitary District of Chicago. Mr. Ungar is procuring the statistics in the larger cities north of St. Louis in the Mississippi drainage basin, concerning the number of cases of typhoid fever in the past ten years. He has just visited Peoria, Springfield, Joliet, Aurora, Bloomington and Elgin, and will go from here to Jacksonville, Streator and Kankakee. In some of these cities he has obtained a full report for the past ten years but in others the records have been so poorly kept that a complete report could not be made. Some of the facts that have been procured are rather interesting. In the year 1902 the following number of cases of typhoid fever have been reported Elgin, Bloomington, Joliet.

In Aurora, in the year 1895 there were 105 cases on record and out of this number 19 were fatal. The cause of these cases was investigated but it was found that the disease germs were carried in the milk that the people had been using.

On account of the fact that a great many doctors are averse to reporting such cases and in some instances call the disease by some other name it is impossible to find out the exact number in the different cities.

About 16 per cent of these fever cases are fatal.

It is stated that the typhoid fever bacteria are not destroyed in traveling down the river from Chicago to St. Louis and that they are still dangerous to the community when they are pumped out over the city. In order to prove this a couple of barrels of bacilli, not typhoid but some of the same strength but harmless, were taken up the river a couple of hundred miles and thrown into it and when time enough had been given for the water to reach the city it was examined and it was found that the bacilli were still alive and ready for business.

After the evidence is all in the commission is to meet at the Southern hotel in St. Louis, and it will be gone over and arranged. Then it will be submitted to the United States supreme court at Washington which will make the decision.

In speaking of the matter to a Herald reporter at the hotel last night Mr. Ungar said: "It is very difficult to get the records of these household cases as in some of the cities the reports were very haphazard and in some only records for the last few years could be given." This system of tabulating all such contagious cases was first started by Dr. F. C. Bournsides of Peoria. There was a law passed in this state some time ago making it illegal to keep such a record as a misdemeanor not to report such diseases and an infraction 25 cents is given for each case reported thus making the record for the past few years more complete than formerly.

"While doing this work I am killing two birds with one stone, doing my duty and advertising the World's fair at the same time. It is well worthy of advertising for it is going to be one of the greatest fairs seen in a long time, in fact I may say the greatest ever seen. You may be sure that the St. Louis people will welcome all the visitors from this city who are there during this great event and show them an excellent time while they are there."

STRAWBERRIES.

## Three Ways in Which to Prepare Luscious Fruit.

Strawberry Cocktail.

Take the largest, ripest berries you can get and slice them with a silver knife. To a dozen berries add a half pint of brandy, a tablespoonful of orange bitters. Roll large stemmed berries in powdered sugar and drop one in each glass to be served. crush the sliced berries to a pulp against the side of the bowl and then pour the mixture into the glasses and serve. Keep all materials very cold.

Strawberry Cup.

Mix a half cup of rich, thick strawberry syrup with a pint of good seltzer water until quite stiff and smooth. half fill deep stemmed glasses with chilled ripe berries and spread the frozen mixture on top and serve.

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# Saturday, May 2, is Circus Day

Great Special Sale of Clothing, Dry Goods and Ladies' and Gents' Furnishings and Sample Shoes will commence on that day. Make this store your resting place and partake of the bargains offered.

## Arcade Bargain Store M. LEVIN, Prop.

### LE OBJECTIONS

#### WILLIAM BEST IS DEAD

Former Supervisor of Macon County Passes Away at Guayan, La.—Moved Away Year Ago.

#### HAD LIVED HERE FOR 30 YEARS.

William Best, formerly of Macon county, died Saturday, April 25, at Guayan, La., where he went to live last year. The body will arrive at Dalton City today and the funeral will be held from Prairie Home Wednesday.

Mr. Best formerly resided in Milam township and was one of the best known citizens in that part of the county. He lived in Macon county about thirty years and for ten years served as supervisor from Milam and resigned when he went south. Mr. Best was a democrat and was repeatedly elected on the democratic ticket as supervisor. He was held in the highest esteem by the people of his township and on the board of supervisors he was always considered one of the most useful members.

Mr. Best is survived by a widow and four sons and five daughters. They are Charles Best, Mrs. Minnie Turpin and Miss Maggie Best, all of Decatur; Richard Best of St. Louis and Benjamin and Frank Best and three younger children residing in Louisiana.

At the meeting of the board of supervisors Monday resolutions in memory of Mr. Best were passed and expressions of regret were made by the members.

**Ernest.**

Beatha M., aged 19 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Senn, died Monday at the home of R. C. Hinds, at 547 North Water street. Her death was due to diabetes with which she had been confined to her bed for the last two weeks. In addition to her parents she is survived by five brothers and two sisters.

The funeral will be held this afternoon, the services being at the Tabernacle at 2:30 o'clock.

**CARBOLIC ACID**

Was the Method Chosen by Mrs. Clem Smith of Macon for Ending Her Life.

**DRANK AN OUNCE OF POISON.**

She Feared That Her Family Would Come to Want.

At Macon Monday Mrs. Clem Smith committed suicide by taking carbolic acid. She took the poison early in the day but her death did not occur until 7 o'clock at night.

Mr. Smith has been at Macon for several weeks visiting her mother, Mrs. Amelia Davis, and the expectation had been that today she would leave for her home in Louisiana. Little more than a year ago Clem Smith, his wife and son went to Louisiana to make their home. Recently Mrs. Smith came to Macon to visit her mother, Mrs. Davis. She has been worried, needlessly, it is said, about the outcome of the venture into Louisiana and grieved constantly because she feared that the family was to be impoverished.

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The contract which was let to Mr. Brooks calls for a new porch on the front of the sheriff's residence and the fitting of the place now used as a cell room so that it will be a suitable room for the jailer.

Nothing was said about how soon the work must begin. That will remain with the building committee.

**The Standing Committee.**

Before the board adjourned Chairman Hurlbut appointed the following standing committee to serve for the next year:

Judiciary—Johnston, Hollinger, Stoy, Abel and Cussins.

Finance—Brown, Hight, Vandiger, Holman and Martin.

Miscellaneous—Claims—Tucker, Cooper, Brown, Allen and Persinger.

Pauper and Poor Farm—Cooper, Stoy, Martin, Schle, Likins, Stiebel and Drysdale.

Roads and Bridges—Persinger, Vandiger, Rucker, Aldridge and Brett.

Feet and Salaries—Jokisch, Allen, Henson, Cussins and Tucker.

Purchasing—Abel, Hollinger, Persinger, Stiebel and Hight.

Printing—Martin, Likins, Aldridge, Stoy and Brett.

Public and Private Institutions—Schle, Jokisch, Holman, Armstrong and Drysdale.

Committee of One on Poor Farm—Reynolds.

**A Small Usurer.**

—Now, before you go to sleep, I've been guilty of any little sins I should be sorry for?

—Yes, I think I've been guilty of usury?

—Yes, I found a penny and a Philadelphia Press.

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